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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, TO, KN

SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR'S PRESS CONFERENCE

REF: LOME 1514

1. TOGO-PRESSE AUGUST 6 CARRIED NEW AND OFFENSIVE PRESS CONFERENCE BY NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR ON US TROOPS IN KOREA. TAKING ADVANTAGE OF PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED MEETING SAME MORNING WITH SECRETARY GENERAL OF FORMIN, DCM PROTESTED LATEST IN SERIES OF OFFENSIVE ATTACKS BY NORTH KOREAN EMBASSY. SECGEN AFTER READING PRESS CONFERENCE AGREED IT NOT APPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR FOR AMBASSADOR ACCREDITED IN TOGO. HE SAID HE HAD SENT, WITH APPROVAL OF FOREIGN MINISTER, A LETTER TO MINISTER OF INFORMATION ASKING THNT THOSE ATTACKS NOT BE GIVEN PUBLICITY FOLLOWING LAST EMBASSY PROTEST. HE SUGGESTED EMBASSY SHOULD FOLLOW UP DIRECTLY WITH MINISTER OF INFORMATION JOHNSON. DCM DECLINED SINCE PRESS ONLY DOING ITS JOB IN REPORTING NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR STATEMENTS. DCM SUGGESTED MFA EITHER PUT OUT CIRCULAR NOTE REQUESTING MISSIONS REFRAIN FROM ATTACKING OTHER COUNTRIES IN TOGO (SECGEN SHOOK HEAD) OR SPEAK PRIVATELY TO NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR. SECGEN SAID HE WOULD SEEK FOREIGN MINISTER'S APPROVAL FOR LATTER COURSE WHEN HE RETURNED FROM COLOMBO.

2. IN LAST PROTEST NOTE, TEXT AS DELIVERED OMITTED PHRASE:  
"AND FURTHER (DISMAYED) THAT HIS LIBELS ARE REPORTED IN TOGOLESE  
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GOVERNMENT PRESS." (SEE REFTEL).

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